

AGN. NO. _____

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

AUGUST 19, 2008

PALMDALE FLYER PILOT TRANSIT SERVICE

The success of commercial air service at LA/Palmdale Regional Airport will help reduce traffic and air congestion in the Los Angeles County basin and contribute toward meeting the growing air travel needs in Southern California. It will also contribute to the growing economy of the northern part of the County. United Airlines flies between LA/Palmdale Regional Airport and San Francisco International Airport, with connections to points throughout the United States and the world, daily.

On March 11, 2008, this Board approved the implementation of The Palmdale Flyer, a pilot express bus service to LA/Palmdale Regional Airport, to operate from April 2, 2008 through December 31, 2008. The County has been partnering with the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA) to provide this service. When United Airlines doubles the number of flights, beginning September 3, 2008, AVTA will no longer be able to participate in providing this service due to the strain on their vehicle resources. The County will continue providing this pilot transit service to the Palmdale Airport through a new contractor.

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Due to the short timeframe to implement the continuation of transit service from September 3, 2008 through December 31, 2008, Public Works seeks to sole source the service to San Gabriel Transit, Inc. The service contracted with San Gabriel Transit, Inc., will be a reserved ride service from the Van Nuys Terminal and the Via Princessa Metrolink Park-and-Ride in Santa Clarita to the Palmdale Airport. This service will be free of charge to patrons with boarding passes for a same-day flight to or from the Palmdale Airport during the pilot service period.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors: 1) authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to negotiate and execute an agreement with San Gabriel Transit, Inc., to provide for the continuation of the pilot transit service to and from the LA/Palmdale Regional Airport from September 3, 2008 through December 31, 2008; and 2) authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to disburse up to the remaining budgeted amount of \$157,000 from the Proposition A Local Return Transit Program allocated to the Fifth Supervisorial District for this service, which is included in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Transit Enterprise Fund Budget.

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